

as the body; tarsi rather long; fur long and very soft. General tint of the upper parts of the body grayish brown, with a considerable admixture of yellow; of the sides of the body grayish tinted with yellow; the lower portion of the cheeks, and the lower half of the sides of the body are of a delicate yellow colour; the under parts of the head and body are yellowish white; the fore part of the thighs is whitish; the rump, feet, and tail are white, excepting the upper surface of the latter, which is brown; behind each ear there is a patch of yellowish white hairs. The ears are tolerably well-clothed with hairs; those on the inner side are for the most part of a yellow colour, but towards the posterior margin they are brown; externally, the hairs are also yellow, excepting on the fore part, where they are dusky brown. The hairs of the moustaches are very long and numerous; black at the base, and grayish at the apex. The feet are well clothed with hairs which cover and nearly hide the claws; the under side of the tarsus is clothed with grayish brown hairs. The tail is well clothed with tolerably long hairs which completely hide the scales. The hairs on the back are of a deep gray colour at the base, broadly annulated with yellow near the apex, and dusky at the apex: the longer hairs are black: on the throat and belly the hairs are deep gray at the base, and broadly tipped with pale yellow—towards the cheeks and sides of the body with a deeper yellow. The incisors are yellow.

	In.	Lines.		In.	Lines.
Length from nose to root of tail	6	5	Length of tarsus (claws included)	1	4 $\frac{1}{4}$
of tail	3	3 $\frac{1}{2}$	of ear	0	7
from nose to ear	1	4			

Habitat, Patagonia, (*April and January*).

In the arched form of the head this little animal bears considerable resemblance to a young rabbit, a resemblance which has struck almost all who have seen it, I have therefore applied to it the specific name *Cuniculoides*. The skull is figured in Plate 33, fig. 2, *a.*, its dimensions are as follows:—

	In.	Lines.
Total length	1	4
Width	0	10
Length of nasal bones	0	7
of incisive foramina	0	4 $\frac{3}{4}$
Distance between the outer surface of the incisors and the front molar upper jaw	0	5
Longitudinal extent of the three molars of the upper jaw	0	3 $\frac{3}{4}$
Length of a ramus of the lower jaw, without the incisor	0	9 $\frac{3}{4}$

The molar teeth of the upper jaw are figured in Plate 33, fig. 2, *c.* and

2, *e.* of the lower jaw, fig. 2, *d.* Fig. 2, *b.* represents the incisors of the upper jaw magnified. Fig. 21, *a.*, Plate 34, represents the skull, viewed from beneath, fig. 21, *b.* is the side view of the same, and fig. 21, *c.* is the lower jaw.

"Specimens were procured at Port Desire, St. Julian, and Santa Cruz; at this latter place they were caught in numbers, (in traps baited with cheese,) both near the coast and on the interior plains. A specimen from Santa Cruz weighed 1336 grains. In the early part of January, there were young individuals at Port St. Julian."—D.

2. REITHRODON TYPICUS.

Reithrodon typicus, *Waterh.*, Proceedings of the Zoological Society of London for February 1837, p. 30.

R. vellere suprà pilis flavescenti-fuscis et nigrescentibus intermixtis composito; regione circa oculos, genis, lateribusque corporis auratis, pilis pallidè fuscis intermixtis; partibus inferioribus auratis; rhinario ad latera flavescenti-albo; auribus magnis, intùs pilis flavis, extùs flavis et fuscis, indutis; caudà suprà pallidè fuscà, subtùs sordidè albà; pedibus albis.

DESCRIPTION.—Ears large; tarsi moderate; fur moderately long; general tint of the upper parts brown—of the upper surface of the head blackish; on the cheeks and flanks a rich yellow tint prevails; the under parts of the head and body are bright yellow; the feet are white; the tail is brownish above and dirty white beneath. The ears are tolerably well clothed with hairs, and these are of a yellowish colour, excepting on the fore part, externally, where they are brown; the tarsi are covered beneath with grayish brown hairs; the hairs of the moustaches are numerous and moderately long, black at the base and grayish at the apex. The hairs of the back are deep gray at the base, broadly annulated with yellow near the apex, and black at the apex; on the upper surface of the head the hairs are very narrowly annulated with yellow, hence a blackish hue prevails. The longer hairs on the back are black; the hairs of the throat and belly are gray at the base, and broadly tipped with yellow. The incisors are yellow.

	In.	Lines.		In.	Lines.
Length from nose to root of tail	6	0	Length of tarsus (claws included)	1	2 $\frac{1}{2}$
of tail	?	*	of ear	0	8 $\frac{1}{2}$
from nose to ear	1	4 $\frac{1}{2}$			

Habitat, Maldonado, La Plata, (*June*).

* The tail is imperfect.